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LIST OF OFFICERS.

MODERATOR

ROBERT B. WALSH

TOWN CLERK

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON

TREASURER

JOHN L. WOODBURY

COLLECTOR

CHARLES W. APPLETON

SELECTMEN

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS CHESTER A. FOSTER

OVERSEERS OF POOR

ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS, Chairman
CHESTER A. FOSTER GEORGE H. GIBNEY

BOARD OF HEALTH

CHESTER A. FOSTER, Chairman
GEORGE H. GIBNEY ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS

ASSESSORS

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman	Term expires 1920
DANIEL D. STONE	Term expires 1919
SAMUEL G. GOODHUE (resigned)	Term expires 1921

TREE WARDEN

ERLE G. BREWER

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

ARTHUR W. CHANDLER, Chairman	Term expires 1919
FRANCIS C. NORTON	Term expires 1920
ROBERT B. WALSH	Term expires 1921

FENCE VIEWERS

GEORGE H. GIBNEY ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS
CHESTER A FOSTER

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ROBERT ROBERTSON, Jr , Chairman	Term expires 1921
MRS ADELAIDE D. WALSH	Term expires 1920
MISS FLORENCE M. LULL	Term expires 1919

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman	Term expires 1920
FRANCIS C. NORTON	Term expires 1919
GEORGE H. GIBNEY	Term expires 1921

PARK COMMISSIONERS

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman	Term expires 1919
FRANCIS C. NORTON	Term expires 1921
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON (resigned)	Term expires 1920

CONSTABLES

ALFRED T. POOLE, Chief of Police
CHARLES H. SMITH LEROY S. DODGE

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

ERLE G. BREWER

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

LESTER M. WHIPPLE, Chairman	Term expires 1919
CLARENCE S KNOWLTON, Clerk	
JONATHAN LAMSON	Term expires 1920
PERLEY G. ANDERSON	Term expires 1921

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

RANDALL E. ADAMS

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Term expires 1921

FIRE ENGINEERS

ERLE G. BREWER, Chief
GEORGE F. PENDEXTER, Clerk
LESTER M. WHIPPLE RODNEY H. ADAMS
FRANK DANE

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND PROVISIONS

GEORGE R. DODGE

KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP

GEORGE H. HARADEN

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

FRED BERRY

POUND KEEPER

GEORGE H. HARADEN

FIELD DRIVERS

FRED BERRY
FRED P. KILHAM
MERRILL S. LOVERING
ERNEST M. BAKER
JONATHAN LAMSON (resigned)

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERY

GEORGE E ROBERTS

MEASURERS OF WOOD, LUMBER AND BARK

JESSE S. MANN
RALPH BERRY
JONATHAN LAMSON (resigned)
TIMOTHY MOYNIHAN

ANNUAL REPORTS.

RECEIPTS.

TAXES.

Current year.		
Property,	$9830 19	
Poll,	672 00	
Previous years.		
Property,	6562 56	
Poll,	268 00	
From State.		
Corporation,	4466 78	
National Bank,	1342 15	
Income,	44,157 63	
		$67,299 31

LICENSES AND PERMITS.

Licenses.		
Pool,	$ 2 00	
Peddler's,	12 00	
Permits.		
Oleo,	$ 2 00	$16 00

FINES AND FORFEITS.

Fines.		
Library,	$25 00	$25 00

GRANTS AND GIFTS.

From County.		
Dog licenses,	$320 22	
From State.		
Tuition,		
Industrial School,	$10 06	
From Individuals.		
Maxwell Norman,	$200 00	$530 28

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.

Moth,	$1303 28	$1303 28

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Town Clerk.		
Use of telephone,	$1 49	$1 49

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

Inspection.		
Sealer's fees,	$20 76	
Forestry.		
Gypsy Moth reimbursement from State,	$756 47	$777 23

CHARITIES.

From State.		
Reimbursement for Relief,	$643 95	
Reimbursement for Mothers' Aid,	468 00	$1111 95

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.

State Aid,	$408 00	$408 00

SCHOOLS.

Tuition,	$110 25	$110 25

PARKS.

Sale of grass,	$2 00	$2 00

ENTERPRISES.

Public Scales.		
Fees,	$14 00	$14 00

CEMETERIES.

Sale of lots and graves,	$680 00	
Grading,	25 00	
Sale of loam,	4 00	$709 00

INTEREST.

On Perpetual Care funds,	$202 27	
On deposits, general,	638 17	
On deposits, special,	194 99	
On deferred taxes,	397 93	
On Allen fund,	33 85	
On Dodge fund,	45 00	$1512 21

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS.

Loans, revenue,	$40,000 00	
East School, bonds,	17,000 00	$57,000 00

AGENCY AND TRUST.

Agency.		
Taxes 1918, for State,	$13,750 00	
Taxes 1918, for County,	9748 56	
Taxes 1918, Soldiers Exemption to State,	40 66	

Trust.		
Perpetual care funds,	100 00	$23,639 22
	REFUNDS.	
Poor Department,	$15 00	$15 00
	BALANCE.	
General, cash on hand Jan. 1, 1918,	$42,668 89	
Allen fund, cash on hand Jan. 1, 1918,	20 82	
Dodge fund, cash on hand Jan. 1, 1918,	50 23	$42,739 94
		$197,214 16

PAYMENTS.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

LEGISLATIVE.

Moderator,	$10 00	
Legislative Committee,	25 00	$35 00

SELECTMEN.

Salaries,	$815 00	
Other expenses,	126 03	941 03

ACCOUNTING.

Salary,	$773 75	
Other expenses,	92 06	
State audit,	154 24	1020 05

TREASURER.

Salary,	$400 00	
Treasurer's bond,	50 00	
Other expenses,	75 83	525 83

COLLECTOR.

Salary,	$400 00	
Collector's bond,	150 00	
Other expenses,	64 83	614 83

ASSESSORS.

Salaries,	$650 00	
Other expenses,	91 09	741 09

OTHER FINANCE ACCOUNTS.

Certification of Notes,	$6 00	6 00	

LAW.

Salary,	$100 00	100 00	

TOWN CLERK.

Salary,	$200 00		
Other expenses,	71 66	271 66	

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION.

Salaries, Registrars,	$200 00		
Election officers,	130 00		
Other expenses,	161 77	491 77	

TOWN HALL.

Janitor,	$500 00		
Insurance,	980 69		
All other,	1048 02	2528 71	$7275 97

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

POLICE.

Salaries and wages,	$1610 50		
Equipment and repairs,	9 65		
Other expenses,	336 11	1956 26	

FIRE.

Salaries and wages,	$523 13		
Equipment and repairs,	105 45		
New equipment,	1850 00		
Fuel and light,	100 49		
Maintenance, building,	51 94		
Other expenses,	353 83	2984 84	

SEALER.

Salary,	$33 31		
Other expenses,	67 01	100 32	

FORESTRY.

Insect pest extermination.			
Salaries and wages.			
Superintendent,	$978 75		
Labor,	2315 51		
Other expenses.			
Teams,	239 00		
All other,	1136 86		
Tree Warden.			
Salaries and wages,	261 82		
Equipment,	1 25		
All other,	3 00		
Forest Fire Warden.			
Salary, years 1917, 1918,	20 00	4956 19	$9997 61

HEALTH AND SANITATION.

General administration,	$100 00		
Contagious diseases,	28 00		
Tuberculosis,	140 68		
Vital statistics,	10 25		
Inspection.			
School children,	391 50		
Animals,	25 16		
Meat,	7 50		
Care of dump,	40 00		
All other,	1 05	$744 24	$744 24

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

General highway expenditures.			
Labor,	$5543 07		
Teams,	4139 00		
Gravel and stone,	453 20		
Equipment and repairs,	2 87		
Road roller,	483 36		
State assessment,	1566 99		
Norman fund,	165 00		
All other,	201 55	12,555 04	
Construction.			
Grant avenue,	$16 10		
Willow street drainage,	363 50	379 60	
Snow Removal.			
Labor,	891 91		
Teams,	690 59		
All other,	141 25	1723 75	
Sprinkling and Oiling.			
Oil,	104 53	104 53	
Street Lighting.			
Contract,	4847 91	4847 91	
Guard Rail.			
Lumber,	37 23	37 23	
Bridges.			
Lumber,	47 29	47 29	$19,695 35

CHARITIES.

General Administration.			
Salaries,	$100 00	100 00	

Outside Relief by Town.			
Groceries and provisions,	1367 74		
Coal and wood,	228 55		
Board and care,	670 00		
Medical expenses,	350 26		
Cash aid,	222 00		
Rent,	228 00		
All other,	57 48	3124 03	
Relief by other cities and towns,	649 36	649 36	
Mothers' aid,	576 00	576 00	$4449 39

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.

State Aid,	$412 75	412 75	
Soldiers' Relief.			
Fuel,	$ 5 45		
Medical attention,	224 45		
Cash aid,	336 00	565 90	$978 65

SCHOOLS.

General expenses.			
Superintendent,	$705 00		
Clerks,	100 00		
Truant officer,	50 00		
Printing, etc.,	25 47		
Telephone,	44 12		
All other,	104 00	1028 59	
Teacher's salaries.			
High,	5157 25		
Elementary,	7113 00		
Special,	701 25		
Retirement fund,	513 75	13,485 25	

Text books and supplies.			
High,	$1185 66		
Elementary,	980 10	2165 76	
Transportation,	1418 06	1418 06	
Janitors' service.			
High,	488 90		
Elementary,	727 90	1216 80	
Fuel and light.			
High,	821 97		
Elementary,	1079 74	1901 71	
Maintenance of building and grounds.			
High,	$1082 16		
Elementary,	1045 06	2127 22	
Furniture and furnishings.			
High,	$407 81		
Elementary,	46 91	454 72	
School house insurance,	555 80	555 80	
All other,	249 98	249 98	$24,603 89

NIGHT SCHOOL.

Teachers,	$226 00		
Text books,	42 63		
Supplies,	22 90		
Janitor,	72 00		
All other,	1 50	365 03	$365 03

EAST SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION.

Contract,	$13,896 00		
Land,	800 00		
Surveying,	20 00		
Architect,	991 80		
All other,	461 30	16,169 10	$16,169 10

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Salaries and wages,	$402 50		
Books and periodicals,	351 40		
Building.			
Rent,	60 00		
Furniture and repairs,	257 05		
All other,	121 02	1191 97	$1191 97

RECREATION.

Parks.			
Labor,	$5 63	5 63	$5 63

UNCLASSIFIED.

Memorial Day,	$ 16 50		
Town clock,	25 00		
Town Reports,	215 36		
Gardner memorial fund,	177 51		
State Guard fund,	260 00		
Engrossing resolutions,	40 00		
War fund,	868 62		
Boiler insurance,	30 14	1633 13	$1633 13

CEMETERY.

Salaries,	$45 00		
Labor,	524 50		
All other,	57 77	627 27	$627 27

INTEREST.

Loans, anticipation taxes,	$2013 21	
Loans, general purposes,	137 20	$2150 41

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS.

Loans, anticipation Revenue,	$45,000 00	
School bond,	980 00	$45,980 00

AGENCY AND TRUST.

State Tax,	$13,750 00	
County Tax,	9748 56	
Soldiers' Exemption,	40 66	
Trust.		
Perpetual Care Funds,	100 00	$23,639 22

REFUNDS.

Taxes,	84 55	
Departmental,	15 00	$99 55

BALANCES.

General cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	$37,511 55	
Allen Fund, cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	54 67	
Dodge Fund, cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	41 53	
Total Cash,		$37,607 75
		$197,214 16

TOWN OF HAMILTON

DECEMBER 31, 1918, BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash in bank and office		$37,607 75
Accounts receivable		
Taxes 1916	487 75	
1917	2,817 99	
1918	7,002 60	
		10,308 34
Moth Assessment 1916	13 58	
1917	58 05	
1918	244 10	
		315 73
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid		469 00
Overdrawn Appropriations (offset to liabilities)		
Town Hall	248 02	
Police	256 26	
Fire	134 84	
Poor	449 39	
Interest	800 41	
		1,888 92
		$50,589 74

LIABILITIES

Revenue Loans		$25,000 00
Overlay 1916	1,124 79	
1917	1,979 62	
1918	269 77	3,374 18
Appropriations balances		
Legislative Committee	185 00	
Sealer	16 69	
Land, Engine House	2,000 00	
Willow Street Drainage	235 10	
Grant Avenue	483 90	
Washington Avenue	300 00	
School House Insurance	294 20	
Valuation Book	275 00	
State Guard Fund	40 00	
East School Building	4,330 90	8,160 79
Norman Fund		252 86
Allen Fund Income		54 67
Dodge Fund Income		4 66
Dodge Fund Principal		36 87
Overlay Reserve Fund		40 10
Reserve Fund		876 27
Excess and Deficiency (Surplus)		12,789 34
		$50,589 74

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Bonded Debt	$19,940 00	School House Bonds (South)	2,940 00	
		East School Bonds	17,000 00	
				$19,940 00
	$19,940 00			$19,940 00

TRUST FUNDS

Cash and Securities	$6,822 48	Perpetual Care Funds	$5,285 61	
		H. A. Dodge Library Fund	1,036 87	
		Dr. Justin Allen Fund	500 00	
				6,822 48
	$6,822 48			$6,822 48

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Savings Bank Deposits beginning of year	$5,173 57
Savings Bank Deposits end of year	5,285 61

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS	
Deposits for care	$100 00	Care of lots	$202 27
Interest	214 31	Deposited in bank	112 04
	$314 31		$314 31

NAME OF FUND.	BALANCE JAN. 1, 1918.	RECEIPTS.	PAYMENTS.	BALANCE DEC. 31, 1918.
Albert R. Allen	$106 50	$4 28	$2 00	$108 78
D. S. Allen	444 71	17 94	7 00	455 65
Dr. Justin Allen	107 52	4 32	3 00	108 84
Horace E. Andrews	105 12	4 64	3 00	106 76
M. K. Abbott	230 74	9 30	6 00	234 04
Ayers Fund	166 70	6 72	4 00	169 42
Ellen A. Bean	108 92	4 38	3 00	110 30
Elizabeth A. Brown	111 54	4 48	3 00	113 02
Amos Burnham	116 28	4 68	4 00	116 96
Choate Burnham	191 34	7 72	8 00	191 06
N. B. Butler	107 18	4 73	3 00	108 91
Francis Dane	1,247 30	50 38	104 25	1,193 43
Luther Dane	112 78	4 54	3 00	114 32
J. K. Davenport	105 32	4 24	3 00	106 56
J. E. Dodge	104 04	4 64	2 00	106 68
Joseph I. Dodge	108 98	4 38	3 00	110 36
H. Augusta Dodge	254 82	10 26	6 00	259 08
H. K. Fillebrown	52 02	2 28	2 02	52 28
William H. Gleason	105 32	4 24	3 00	106 56
George T. Haynes	116 04	4 68	4 00	116 72
Thomas Horne	100 00	5 59		105 59
Jacob Kinsman	110 12	4 44	2 00	112 56
Arthur Mason	103 02	4 59	2 00	05 61
Laura Patch	104 04	4 59	3 00	105 63
Charles A. Peterson	105 12	4 64	3 00	106 76
Daniel Roberts	105 78	4 24	4 00	106 02
Daniel Safford	116 88	4 70	3 00	118 58
W. E. Townsend	105 48	4 24	3 00	106 72
Albert E. Whipple	100 00	5 59		105 59
Hannah M. Whipple	103 20	4 16	3 00	104 36
L. D Whipple (Added in 1918)	116 76	4 70	3 00	118 46
F. J. & P. W. Burton	100 00			100 00
Total	$5,273 57	$214 31	$202 27	$5,285 61

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS.

December 31, 1918.

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN FUND.

Savings Bank deposit at beginning of year, . .	$500 00
Savings Bank deposit at end of year, ...	500 00

RECEIPTS.	INCOME.	PAYMENTS.	
Cash on hand beginning year, . .	$20 82	Cash on hand end year, ...	$54 67
Interest, . . .	33 85		
	$54 67		$54 67

H. A. DODGE FUND.

(Gail Hamilton Reading Room.)

United Fruit Bond, (par value), ...	$1000 00
Deposit, Merchants National Bank, ...	36 87
Total Principal beginning of year, ...	$1036 87
United Fruit Bond, (par value), ...	$1000 00
Deposit, Merchants National Bank end of year,	36 87
	$1036 87

RECEIPTS.	INCOME.	PAYMENTS.	
Cash on hand beginginning of year,	$50 23	Magazines, . .	$53 70
Interest, ...	45 00	Transfer to replace Principal, . .	36 87
		Cash on hand, end year, ...	4 66
	$95 23		$95 23

Town of Hamilton.

Treasurer's Cash December 31, 1918.

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918, as per ledger,		$37,607 75
Merchants Nat. Bank, general deposit,	$34,534 14	
Merchants Nat. Bank, special deposit,	1,025 89	
Cash on hand, deposited in Jan. 1919,	2,033 39	
Merchants Nat. Bank, Dodge Library Fund,	3 96	
Merchants Nat. Bank, Allen Library Fund,	10 41	
Total,	$37,607 79	
Treasurer's cash over (error in deposit,)	04	
		$37,607 75
Merchants Nat. Bank, general (per check book),	$34,534 14	
Outstanding checks, (per list),	3,258 77	
Merchants Nat. Bank, (per Bank statement,)	$37,792 91	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1918,	42,739 94	
Receipts in 1918,	154,474 22	
		$197,214 16
Payments in 1918,	$159,606 41	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	37,607 75	
		$197,214 16

JOHN L. WOODBURY,

Town Treasurer.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

BUREAU OF STATISTICS

CHARLES F. GETTEMY

DIRECTOR

REPORT OF AN AUDIT

of

THE ACCOUNTS OF

The Town of Hamilton

Made in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 598, Acts of 1910, as amended and a Petition of the Selectmen

February 14, 1919

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
BUREAU OF STATISTICS.
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

To the Board of Selectmen,
Mr. George H. Gibney, Chairman,
Hamilton, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Hamilton for the year 1918, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910, as amended, and a petition of the selectmen.

This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, Chief Examiner of this Bureau, who was placed in charge of the work.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES F. GETTEMY,
Director.

Mr. Charles F. Gettemy,
Director, Bureau of Statistics,
State House, Boston.

Sir:

As directed by you, I have reviewed the work of the town accountant of the town of Hamilton for the year 1918 and have audited the accounts for the year as requested by the Selectmen, and I report as follows:

The present town accountant was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the one who had had charge of the accounts since the installation of the system of accounts in 1914, and in order that he might be advised of the detail workings of the system, a complete audit in compliance with the selectmen's request seemed warranted.

The interest displayed by the present accountant is demonstrated by the excellent condition of the books and accounts under his charge, and while much of the work was new to him it has been carried on in a very satisfactory manner.

At the close of the year, certain accounts were overdrawn, as shown by the balance sheet published by the town accountant. A reserved fund was provided to meet unforeseen expenses and this fund should be used for that purpose. A judicious use of the reserve fund will provide funds to meet all ordinary unforseen expenditures of a town, thus avoiding the necessity of calling a special town meeting to make additional appropriations needed, and I recommend that, in the future, no bill be passed for payment in excess of an appropriation, except as provided by Section 16, Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913.

The financial transactions of the several departments as recorded on the books of the town accountant were examined and checked; the cash book entries were compared with the

warrants authorizing payments and with the treasurer's statements of receipts; journal entries were examined, and ledger postings verified. The classification book, showing in detail the receipts and disbursements, was examined and expenditures from each appropriation were checked to the ledger total. The appropriations were checked to the town clerk's official record. The ledger was footed and checked to the accountant's trial balance, and a balance sheet was prepared, showing the financial condition of the town.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined, and the cash book was footed. The recorded receipts were verified and compared with the records of the town accountant, and the payments were checked to the warrants. The cash balance was proved and checked to the bank statements, any difference being reconciled by the outstanding checks. The treasurer's cash on hand was due to the fact that these amounts were received too late for deposit in December. The same were deposited early in January, 1919.

The savings bank books and securities belonging to the several trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and found to be as recorded.

The accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked, the outstanding taxes and assessments were listed, and the payments to the treasurer were verified by comparison with the treasurer's books. The abatements were checked with the assessors' records and with the accountant's books.

As the collector had not entered all of his collections in his cash book, it became necessary to add the payments as entered in his commitment books in order to ascertain his entire collections.

The difference between the amounts outstanding as shown on the accountant's ledger and the amounts outstanding as listed proved in each instance to be the difference be-

tween the cash collected and the cash turned over to the treasurer.

The cash in the hands of the collector December 31, 1918 was promptly turned over to the treasurer as soon as the amount was ascertained.

The records of the various other departments were found to be in a satisfactory condition.

Appended to this report are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash and the trust fund accounts, also summaries of the tax and assessment accounts.

To the several town officers who greatly assisted me in my work while I was engaged in making the audit, I wish to express, in behalf of my assistant and for myself, my appreciation of the assistance given and the courtesies extended.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Fenton,

Chief Examiner.

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH.

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918—per accountant's books,	$37,607 75	
Cash over,	04	
		$37,607 79
Cash in banks:		
Merchants National—General,	$34,534 14	
Merchants National—Special,	1,025 89	
Merchants National—Dodge Fund,	3 96	
Merchants National—Allen Fund,	10 41	
		$35,574 40
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	2,033 39	
		$37,607 79

RECONCILIATION OF BANK ACCOUNT (GENERAL).

Balance Dec. 31, 1918—per bank statement,		$37,792 91
Balance—per check book,	$34,534 14	
Outstanding checks—per detailed list,	3,258 77	
		$37,792 91

TAXES 1916.

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1918—per ledger,		$2,497 75
Abatements,	$ 49 42	
Paid treasurer,	1,960 58	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1918—per detailed list,	450 71	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	37 04	
		$2,497 75

TAXES 1917.

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1918—per ledger,		$6,998 95
Abatements,	$ 68 61	
Paid treasurer,	4,112 35	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1918—per detailed list,	2,655 46	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	162 53	
		$6,998 95

TAXES 1918.

Commitment,		$41,227 94
Abatements,	$ 183 93	
Paid treasurer,	34,041 41	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1918—per detailed list,	6,882 73	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918,	119 87	
		$41,227 94

MOTH ASSESSMENTS 1916.

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1918—per ledger,		$44 25
Paid treasurer,	$30 67	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1918—per detailed list,	13 58	
		$44 25

MOTH ASSESSMENTS 1917.

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1918—per ledger,		$330 49
Abatements,	$ 0 78	
Paid treasurer,	271 66	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1918—per detailed list,	56 85	
Cash on hand,	1 20	
		$330 49

MOTH ASSESSMENTS 1918.

Commitment,		$1,239 64
Paid treasurer,	$995 54	
Outstanding Dec, 31, 1918—per detailed list,	244 10	
		$1,239 64

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND.

	Cash in General Treasury	Savings Bank Deposit	Total
On hand at beginning of year,	$20 82	$500 00	$520 82
On hand at end of year,	54 67	500 00	554 67

Receipts.		Payments	
Income,	$33 85		
Cash on hand at beginning of year,	20 82	Cash on hand at end of year,	$54 67
Total,	$54 67	Total,	$54 67

H. A. DODGE LIBRARY FUND.

	Cash in General Treasury	Securities (Par value)	Total
On hand at beginning of year,	$50 23	$1000 00	$1050 23
On hand at end of year,	41 53	1000 00	1041 53

Receipts.		Payments.	
Income,	$45 00	Expended for books,	$53 70
Cash on hand at beginning of year,	50 23	Cash on hand at end of year,	41 53
Total,	$95 23	Total,	$95 23

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS.

	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year,	$5173 57	$5173 57
On hand at end of year,	5285 61	5285 61

Receipts.		Payments.	
Income,	$214 13	Deposits in bank,	$112 04
Bequests for care of lots,	100 00	Expended for care of lots,	202 27
Total,	$314 31	Total,	$314 31

Assessors' Report.

APRIL ASSESSMENT.

Value of buildings,	$1,976,752	
Value of land,	1,291,903	
Value of real estate,		$3,268,655
Value of tangible personal,		623,481
Total valuation,		$3,892,136
Tax on real estate,	$32,686 55	
Tax on personal,	6,234 81	
Tax on polls,	934 00	
Total tax,		$39,855 36
Moth tax,		1,229 24
Rate per thousand,		10 00
Number of horses,		279
Number of cows,		187
Number of neat cattle other than cows,		46
Number of sheep,		50
Number of swine,		98
Number of fowl,		1878
Number of dwellings,		852
Number of acres of land,		8547½
Number of residents assessed on property,		583
All others,		53
Number of non-residents assessed on property,		233
All others,		56
Number of polls assessed,		467
Number of polls only,		25
Number of persons assessed,		950

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT.

Value of buildings,	$2000 00	
Value of land,	1170 00	
Value of real estate,		$3170 00
Value of tangible personal,		7500 00
Total valuation,		$10,670 00
Tax on real estate,	$31 70	
Tax on personal,	75 00	
Tax on polls,	12 00	
Total tax,		$ 118 70
Appropriations for General Town Expenses,		$67,534 00
State tax,		13,750 00
County tax,		9,748 56
State Highway tax,		1,566 99
State audit,		154 24
Overlay,		453 70
		$93,207 49
Estimated Receipts from Income tax,	$43,986 13	
Corporation tax,	5,000 00	
Bank tax,	1,100 00	
Moth tax,	1,200 00	
Charity,	1,000 00	
All other,	2,000 00	
		$54,286 13
Amount of tax levy on property,		$38,921 36

GEO. H. GIBNEY,
SAMUEL G. GOODHUE,
DANIEL D. STONE,
Assessors.

Police Department.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—I wish to submit my annual report for the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1918.

Whole number of arrests during the year, 11; divided as follows:

Males,	11
Native born,	2
Foreign born,	9
Adults,	9
Minors,	2
Residents	6
Non-residents,	5

RECAPITULATION.

Crimes against the person,	1
Crimes against property,	6
Crimes against good order,	2
Persons committed to station,	4
Persons arrested on warrant,	3

OFFENCES.

Drunkenness,	2
Larceny,	3
Trespass,	3
Violation of liquor law,	1
Bastardy,	1
Assault,	1

DISPOSITION.

Released,	2
Released by U. S. Marshall,	3

Turned over to U. S. Government,	1
Settled out of Court,	1
Salem Jail,	1
Continued,	1
Appealed,	1
Arrested for Salem officers,	1

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bicycles reported lost or stolen,	9
Bicycles found and recovered,	8
Buildings found open,	1
Complaints received,	108
Complaints investigated,	101
Disturbances,	2
Fires extinguished,	1
Itinerant persons ordered to leave town,	7
Lights furnished for dangerous places,	8
Dangerous wires removed,	2
Obstructions removed,	2
Postal cards, letters and circulars received,	119
Postal cards, letters and notices sent out,	198
Officers attendance at court,	23
Property reported lost and stolen,	$520
Property found and recovered,	$175
Police assisting out of town officers,	7
Police assistance from out of town officers,	6
Lights reported out,	12
Summons served for out of town officers,	3
Reports to Highway Commission,	3
Reports to Prison Commission,	1
State Hospital, committed (Danvers),	1
State Hospital, returned,	1
Massachusetts Training School, returned,	1
Reports to U. S. Marshal,	3

OFFICERS ATTENDANCE AT COURT.

Poole,	15
Wood,	7
Smith, W. L.,	1

ARRESTS MADE BY OFFICERS.

Poole,	5
Wood,	6

COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND INVESTIGATED.

Poole,	77
Smith, C.,	6
Wood,	12
Dodge,	3
Saunders,	3

OFFICERS HOURS OF DUTY PERFORMED.

Smith, C. H.,	420	Hoy,	50
Smith, W. L.,	74	Saunders,	44
Wood,	155½	Haraden,	131½
Dodge,	53	Denneen,	30

I wish to thank all who have in way assisted me or any member of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. POOLE,

Chief of Police.

Report of Park Commissioners.

The small lot of land, known as Central Park, is open for use of the public, and especially for children as a play ground. The Commissioners would be glad to furnish anything necessary for general recreation, so that children might feel a safe and pleasant welcome there.

The park has been kept in general care during the past year at but little cost.

We may need to expend a little more the coming year and so ask for the same amount of appropriation as of last year, viz., twenty-five dollars, which will probably be all we shall need.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,

FRANCIS C. NORTON,

Park Commissioners.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners.

In presenting our report this year, we have to say that we have used all the appropriation allowed us last year, and were obliged to draw on the surplus interest of the Zerviah B. Dane fund for some of the improvements made in the cemetery.

The rear wall of several of the tombs which projected into the main avenue has been rebuilt on a straight line, making a decided improvement to the avenue.

Aside from the general work in the yard quite an amount of work has been done on avenues.

Greenwood and Linden avenues have been extended from Grove avenue to Oak avenue, the soil has been removed and a light coat of gravel put on.

As this will get well settled during the winter it is important to put on a good coat of binding gravel this spring.

This will open up a full section of the one hundred and fifty dollar lots.

A section in the southeastern part of the new ground has been sold this year. This is a section which is in wood land and is broken on its eastern end by an angle of the boundary line.

But it can be made, at some expense, a beautiful section, and no doubt it will be, as it is the resting place of our honored and beloved townsman, the late George V. L. Meyer.

We hope to have an appropriation of five hundred dollars to complete the work that needs to be done this year in the cemetery.

George K. Knowlton,

Francis C. Norton,

George H. Gibney,

Cemetery Commissioners.

Town Clerk's Report.

HEARINGS.

There were three hearings the past year, all on petitions of the Beverly Gas & Electric Co., for pole locations of street lights.

REGISTRATION.

There were six meetings of the Board of Registrars the past year, at which twenty-one (21) males and seventeen (17) female voters were added to the voting list.

Whole number of male voters, 361.

Whole number of female voters, 101.

DOG LICENSES.

There were issued the past year five breeder's licenses and one hundred six individual licenses, eighty-four were for males and twenty-two for females.

HUNTER'S LICENSES.

There were issued the past year seventy (70) resident Hunter's licenses and one unnaturalized Foreign-born Hunter's certificate of registration.

BIRTHS RECORDED.

1917.

April 10. Jane Jordan, daughter of Thomas and Helen E. Bitler.

December 18. Margarette Rita, daughter of Thomas and Ellen Walsh.

1918.

January 30. Stephen Otto, son of
Nelson and Marion Butts.

February 2. Margaret Drexel, daughter of
James Henry and Mary Jane Sargent.

February 7. Carmella, daughter of
Michael and Sarah DeLucca.

February 10. Georgette Helen, daughter of
George and Margaret Lake.

February 13. Dorothy Lay, daughter of
Leslie and Hazel Tinkham.

February 21. Ruth Madelyn, daughter of
Howard and Ethel Lougee.

March 4. Reginald Whipple, son of
Edward W. and Emma C. MacGregor.

March 8. John Clifton, son of
Harold and Margaret Back.

March 19. Edith F., daughter of
Arthur and Clara Day.

March 20. Bernice Louise, daughter of
George and Daisy Landers.

May 9. Wallace H. Jr., son of
Wallace H. and Elsie Choate Knowlton.

May 23. Stillborn. ——— ——— ———

May 29. Robert Harding, son of
Edward J. and Carrie H. Pitman.

May	29.	Priscilla Bales, daughter of Herbert and Francis Archibald.
June	8.	Eileen Patricia, daughter of John A. and Lilian A. O'Leary.
June	22.	Phyllis, daughter of Bayard and Phyllis Tuckerman.
June	26.	Lura Mae, daughter of George H. and Lucy Bailey.
June	27.	John Andrew, son of Andrew and Signe Dunn.
June	27.	Charles Appleton, son of George V. and Frances Meyer.
July	1.	Richard Dane, son of Henry O. and Edith Phippen.
July	12.	Richard Wilson, son of Andrew and Elizabeth Cosh
July	21.	Janice Louise, daughter of John and Myrtle Donlon.
August	8.	Joseph Raymond, son of Frank and Nellie Koloski.
August	11.	Ellen, daughter of Michael and Mary Donlan.
August	11.	Charles Goodenough, 2nd, son of Neil W. and Emma H. Rice.
August	25.	Richard, son of Jack and Signe Grant.

September 1.	Reginald Joseph, son of Reginald and Margaret Lea Toner.
September 18.	Charles, son of Frederick H. and Susie M. Abraham.
October 6.	Stephen M., son of Michael and Kate Darcy.
October 6.	James Patrick, son of Michael and Kate Darcy.
October 9.	Alfred Haskell, son of Charles and Blanche McRae.
October 22.	Ralph Walter, son of Frank and Violet Tuck.
November 10.	Antonio, son of Frank and Mary Conte.
November 19.	Frances Augusta, daughter of Alvin F. and Elsie Sortwell.
November 19.	George Samuel, son of Joseph and Catherine McDonald.
November 22.	Ruth Olive, daughter of Harry L. and Susie A. Saulnier.
November 28.	Gertrude, daughter of George H. and Ethel Sprague.
November 30.	Rocco C., son of Raphael and Olympia DeLucca.
December 14.	Benjamin Grant, son of Robert Jr. and Merle Robertson.

December 20. Celia Augusta, daughter of
Archie and Sarah Moore.

MARRIAGES RECORDED.

February 4. Roy E. Varnum, Hamilton,
Mary Gammell, Hamilton.

April 30. Chester L. Harvey, Essex,
Etta Belle Macdonald, Hamilton.

June 23. John Mullins, Hamilton,
Ellen Keary, Hamilton.

June 24. Charles A. Kidder, Jr., Lynn,
Anna B. Marshall, Lynn.

July 28. Horace L. Hunt, Hamilton,
Ada V. Turner, Hamilton.

August 20. Leon F. Taylor, Lawrence,
Sadie F. Abbott, Hamilton.

August 21. Nelson B. Smith, Leominster, Mass.,
Helen M. DuPaw, Leominster, Mass.

August 31. Charles A. McGlauflin, Hamilton,
Lilian M. Philbrook, Danvers.

September 1. Ellis P. Smith, Campello, Mass.
Edith May Webber, So. Boston, Mass.

September 6. Frederick O. Brigham, Dorchester, Mass.,
Roxana Ruth Tuttle, Hamilton.

October 8. Nathan Johnson, Beverly,
Annie Ellen Waitt, Hamilton.

October 25. Dexter Richards Hunneman, Brookline,
Alberta Rosalind Merrill, Hamilton.

DEATHS RECORDED.

1918.

			Yrs.	Mos.	Days
January	5.	John S. Webber,	75	11	4
January	18.	Charles F. Kinsman,	70	-	
January	29.	Cedric B. McGlauflin, Jr.,		8	12
January	31.	Andrew Haraden,	69	11	
February	8.	Emeline Patch,	81	4	8
March	9.	George Von L. Meyer,	59	8	13
March	11.	Reginald W. McGregor,			7
March	19.	Edith F. Day,			½
April	18.	Joseph Knowlton,	91	9	23
May	3.	James H. Grant,	58	6	22
May	14.	Edward W. Dodge,	84	3	21
May	19.	Joseph W. Roberts,	89	5	10
May	22.	Jennie Srklarz,	28		
May	23.	Stillborn,			
May	24.	Sarah Amanda Foster,	81	6	25
June	10.	Francis Goodale,		1	27
July	19.	Sarah Burton,	67	2	29
August	27.	Chloe Park Cushman,	89	5	4
August	31.	Olive Fectian,	82		
September	5.	Charles H. Thompson,	78	6	6
September	10.	Herman D. Durkee,	19	4	1
September	28.	Sophie Fresar Duquette,	53	9	
December	3.	Ida Catherine Towle,	47	3	22
December	8.	Robert Nelson,	2	1	
December	18.	Angus Joseph McDonald,	3	6	18

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,
Town Clerk.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library for 1918.

Your Trustees believe the past year has been one of the most important and productive in the work of the Public Library in recent years. The attendance and interest recorded in the main Library have exceeded any in the past, and at the South Hamilton Branch Reading Room some two hundred new regular readers have been enrolled.

The establishment of the Branch Reading Room has proved gratifying beyond expectation. Heretofore the library facilities in perhaps the most populous part of the town were only such as were afforded by keeping some two hundred volumes at the store of O. J. Kimball, with no opportunity for adequate supervision as to the issuance of the books. These books were changed some three times a year, providing a scope of reading limited to less than one thousand volumes a year,

Through a special appropriation of $500 this year, the Reading Room, located on Railroad avenue, was opened. The walls are painted a soft green with cherry dado, and the electric fixtures, light oak furniture, shelving and other furnishings, are of the latest design. Beautiful carbon reproductions of "Reading from Homer" and "The Roman Forum," adorn the walls.

The Reading Room is open two afternoons and evenings every week, alternating with afternoons and evenings at the main Library, with our Librarian always in attendance and ready to direct and advise our younger readers as to the most desirable books for reading or consultation.

At least one thousand books are on hand at all times, and by constant replacing from the main Library the yearly range of reading is increased to some three thousand volumes. All the popular magazines of the day and the daily papers are also to be found on the tables.

The general interest shown is most gratifying, and demonstrates the wisdom of having established the Reading Room. Tables crowded with boys and girls deeply engrossed in research work or reading the literary and scientific magazines is a common occurrence of an evening.

As to the statistics relating to the new books, purchases, gifts received, the large inrease in regular readers, and other similar matters, we refer to the Librarian's report for details.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. WALSH,
FRANCIS C. NORTON,
ARTHUR W. CHANDLER,
Trustees.

Librarian's Report.

To the Trustees of the Public Library

Gentlemen:—My third annual report is herewith submitted.

The record of 1918 shows a steady increase in the circulation of books in the Library, especially since the new South Branch has been started. Two hundred new names have been added, and during the summer months the circulation

was 500 books per week and in the winter from 375 to 400. The yearly output of books has now reached over twenty thousand.

This year three hundred and seventy new books have been added to our Catalog. A large proportion of these are books for young girls and boys and have been placed in the South Branch where there is so much demand for them. About nine hundred books in all have been put into the Branch Library and fifteen magazines on the Reading Table. Last summer we received a very large gift of books from Mrs. Codman, and have also received books from Miss Ella Rankins, Miss Marjorie Thomas, Mr. Willard C. Ware and Mr. George Lockhart Allen of Salem.

Twenty-five dollars, fine money, has been paid to the Town Treasurer.

The Library is open on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 3 to 5 and on Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

The South Branch is open on Tuesday and Friday afternoon and evening from 3 to 9 o'clock.

Respectfully,

ANNIE S. PRESTON,

Librarian.

The following is a list of books added to the Library during the year 1918.

Altsheler, Joseph A.

The Horseman of the Plains F3440

Appleton, Victor

Tom Swift and his War Tank F3666

Austin, Caroline	
Cousin Geoffrey and I	F3650
Bacheller, Irving	
The Light in the Clearing	F3412
Keeping Up with William	F3595
Bailey, Arthur Scott	
The Tale of Mr. Crow	F3378
The Tale of Rusty Wren	F3389
The Tale of Jimmie Rabbitt	F3418
The Tale of Tommy Fox	F3419
The Tale of Frisky Squirrel	F3421
The Tale of Paddy Muskrat	F3422
The Tale of Peter Mink	F3460
The Tale of Sandy Chipmunk	F3461
The Tale of Jasper Jay	F3462
The Tale of Solomon Owl	F3463
The Tale of Brownie Beaver	F3597
The Tale of Jolly Robin	F3598
The Tale of Fatty Coon	F3599
The Tale of Betsey Butterfly	F3659
The Tale of Kiddie Katydid	F3660
The Tale of Ferdinand Frog	F3661
Bailey, Carolyn S.	
Tell Me Another Story	F3682
Bancroft, Edith	
Jane Allen, Right Guard	F3656
Barnum, Richard	
Tinkle, the Trick Pony	F3377
Tum, Tum, the Jolly Elephant	F3665
Barbeuse, Henrie	
Under Fire	4000B1
Barrie, J. M.	
Peter and Wendy	F3365

Bartley, Nalbro
Paradise Auction F3368
Belasco, David
The Return of Peter Grimm F3582
Bell, J. J.
Kitty Carstains F3565
Blackwell, A. S.
The Little Grandmother of the Russian Revolution 920B.2
Blake, Emily C.
Marcia of the Little Home F3615
Blanchard, Amy E.
A Revolutionary Maid F3517
Elizabeth, Betsey and Bess F3408
Blanchard, Grace
Phillida's Glad Year F3546
Bindloss, Harold
The Lure of the North F3606
Bolte, J. Willard
The Back Yard Farmer 635B.
Bordeaux, Henry
The Parting of the Ways F3382
Bower, B. M.
Jean of the Lazy A. F3380
Brooks, Amy
Dorothy Dainty's Playmates F3501
Dorothy Dainty at Home F3502
Brooks, Edna
The Khaki Girls of the Motor Corps F3644
Brown, Alice
The Flying Teuton F3564
Bryant, Marguerite
The Shadow on the Stone F3485

Buchan, John
Greenmantle F3401
Burgess, Thornton W.
Mother West Wind Where Stories F3596
Happy Jack F3683
Burnett, Frances H.
The Lost Prince F3635
Sara Crewe F3459
Burnham, Clara L.
Heart's Haven F3642
Cable, George W.
The Flower of the Chapdelaines F3448
Lovers of Louisiana F3602
Canfield, Dorothy
Home Fires in France F3594
Castle, Agnes & Egerton
The Pride of Jennico F3366
The Lure of Life F3384
Minniglen F3561
Coleman, Frederic
From Mins to Ypres with Gen. French 4000C
Connolly, James B.
The U. Boat Hunters 4000C1
Cooper, Elizabeth
Drusilla with a Million F3393
Cooke, Marjorie B.
The Threshold F3451
Collins, Francis A.
The Wireless Man F3439
Corelli, Marie
The Master Christian F3527
Chapman, Allen
Ralph on the Army Train F3678

Crawford, F. Marion
The Little City of Hope F3332
Cullum, Ridgewell
The Trail of the Axe F3323
Daviess, Maria T.
Sue Jane F3638
Dawson, Coningsby
Carry On 4000D.
Out to Win 4000D1
Day, Holman
Where Your Treasure Is F3560
Dell, Ethel M.
The Safety Curtain F3350
Greatheart F3423
Douglas, Amanda
A Little Girl in Old Washington F3513
A Little Girl in Old Philadelphia F3514
A Little Girl in Old Boston F3515
Driscoll, Lieut. James R.
The Brighton Boys with the Submarine Fleet F3620
The Brighton Boys with the Battle Fleet F3621
The Brighton Boys in the Radio Service F3622
The Brighton Boys with the Flying Corps
Durham, Robert Lee
The Call of the South F3326
Ellis, O. O. and Garey E, B.
The Plattsburg Manual 4000E&G
Empey, Guy
First Call 4000E1
Emerson, Alice B.
Ruth Fielding in the Saddle F3344
Ruth Fielding at College F3345
Ruth Fielding at the War Front F3630

Ruth Fielding in the Red Cross F3631

Endicott, Ruth B.

Carolyn of the Corners F3397

Farnol, Jeffery

Our Admirable Betty F3592

Findlater, Mary

A Narrow Way F3383

Fitzhugh, Percy K.

Along the Mohawk Trail F3469

Tom Slade Boy Scout F3589

Tom Slade at Temple Camp F3617

Tom Slade on a Transport F3618

Tom Slade with the Colors F3619

Tom Slade on the River F3673

Tom Slade with the Boys Over There F3654

Tom Slade Motor Cycle Dispatch Rider F3655

Forbes, Graham B.

The Boys of Columbia High in Winter Sports F3341

Frey, Hildegarde G.

The Camp Fire Girls Larks and Pranks F3343

The Camp Fire Girls at Onoway House F3550

The Camp Fire Girls Go Motoring F3551

The Camp Fire Girls on the Open Road F3676

Frothingham, Eugenia B.

The Turn of the Road F3519

Gale, Jona

A Daughter of the Morning F3367

Garis, Howard R.

From Office Boy to Reporter F3458

Larry Dexter's Great Search F3504

Garland, Hamlin

The Captain of the Grey Horse Troop F3324

Gibbs, George
The Golden Bough F3585
Gibbs, Philip
The Battles of the Somme 4000G.2
Gleason, Arthur
With the First War Ambulance in Belgium 4000G.1
Gray, Joslyn
Kathleen's Probation F3443
Gray, Louisa M.
Ada and Gerty F3648
Grey, Jane
The U. P. Trail F3338
Green, Anna K.
The Mystery of the Hasty Arrow F3334
Grayson, David
Great Possessions F3370
Adventures in Friendship F3379
Adventures in Contentment F3435
The Friendly Road F3434
Gregory, Jackson
The Joyous Troublemaker F3452
Wolf Breed F3610
Griffis, William E.
Pathfinders of the Revolution F3476
Griffith, Helen S.
Letty's Springtime F3430
Letty's New Home F3431
Grinnell, George B.
The Wolf Hunters F3473
Guiches, Gustave
Soldiers Both F3570
Hall, James N.
High Adventure 4000H6

Hall, Charles E.
Some Honeymoon F3444
Hancock, Irving
The High School Boys Fishing Trip F3340
The High School Boys Training Hike F3342
Hancock, H. Irving
The Invasion of the United States F3376
At the Defense of Pittsburg F3387
Making the Last Stand for Old Glory F3388
Hankey, Donald
A Student in Arms 4000H.5
Hay, Marley F.
Secrets of the Submarine 699H
Hayes, Clair W.
The Boy Allies under the Stars and Stripes F3667
The Boy Allies with the Submarine U. 32 F3668
Henry, O.
The Four Million F3347
The Voice of the City F3363
Heusser, Albert W.
The Land of the Prophets 915.69H
Hichens, Robert
In the Wilderness F3351
Hildreth, J. H.
The Queen's Heart F3647
Hill, Grace B.
The Corner House Girls F3474
The Corner House Girls Growing Up F3624
Holmes, R. Derby
A Yankee in the Trenches 4000H.3
Hope, Anthony
The King's Mirror 3520F
Father Stafford F3524

Hope, Laura Lee
The Bobbsey Twins on the Deep Blue Sea F3657
The Outdoor Girls in Army Service F3658
Bunny Brown and His Sister Sue F3662
Hough, Emerson
The Broken Gate F3413
Huard, Frances W.
My Home in the Field of Mercy 4000H.4
Hughes, Rupert
The Thirteenth Commandment F3385
Hutten, Bettina Von
The Bag of Saffron F3436
Henderson, Ernest F.
Blucher, and the Uprising of Prussia Against Napoleon 943.06H.
Homans, James E.
Cyclopaedia of American Biography 920.07H.
Ingelow, Jean
Mopsa, the Fairy F3653
Ingersoll, Will E.
The Road that led Home F3484
Jepson, Edgar
Ann Annington F3449
Johnson, Rossiter
The End of a Rainbow F3518
Johnson, Owen
Virtuous Wives F3611
Johnston, Annie F.
Georgina's Service Stars F3586
Klein, Charles
John Marsh's Millions F3346
Kelly, Ethel M.
Turn About Eleanor F3348

Kerr, Sophie
The Golden Block F3396
Kelland, Clarence B.
Mark Tidd F3576
Mark Tidd in the Backwoods F3577
Mark Tidd in Business F3578
Kay, Ross
The Go Ahead Boys on Smuggler's Island F3427
The Go Ahead Boys in the Island Camp F3428
The Go Ahead Boys and the Treasure Cave F3547
The Go Ahead Boys and the Racing Motor Boat F3548
Kruhm, Adolph
Home Vegetable Gardening from A to Z 630-8K
Lee, Jennette
The Green Jacket F3330
LeGallienne
The Quest of the Golden Girl F3523
Lincoln, Natalie S.
The Three Strings F3681
Lincoln, Joseph
Shavings F3640
Lincoln, Natalie S.
The Moving Finger F3414
Little, Frances
The Lady and Sada San F3337
Locke, Wm. J.
The Rough Road F3563
London, Jack
Adventure F3521
The Red One F3641
Lovell, Ingraham
Margarita's Soul F3

Lutz, Grace L. H.	
The Enchanted Barn	F3424
Luther, Mark Lee	
The Hope Chest	F3395
MacDonnell, Sarah W.	
Why Theodora!	F3328
MacGrath, Harold	
The Adventures of Kathlyn	F3562
The Girl in His House	F3593
Malot, Hector	
Nobody's Boy	F3381
Marlowe, Amy B.	
The Girls of Rivercliffe School	F3587
Marryatt, Capt.	
Mr. Midshipman Easy	F3402
Marshall, Archibald	
The Graftons	F3483
MacNaughtan, S.	
The Andersons	F3526
Mason, A. E. W.	
The Four Feathers	F3510
The Truants	F3511
McCall, Sidney	
Sunshine Beggars	F3400
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Report of Board of Fire Engineers.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—We wish to submit the fourth annual report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

The demands made upon the Fire Department for service, seems to be increasing each year. There were thirty-five calls for the year of 1918, twenty-six calls for 1917, nine calls for 1916 and seven calls for 1915. It is quite true that a large percentage of these calls were for small fires, but it is equally true that the ability of the fire department is judged by the number of large fires allowed. It is easy to say after a small fire "No damage done," but it is impossible to ascertain the amount of damage it might have done, had it not been quickly extinguished. It is therefore impossible to estimate the value of a fire department to a town in dollars and cents. The fact that the Fire Department is called upon for the smallest of fires is gratifying to the extent that it seems to prove that the public in general, feel a certain amount of security in its existence.

It has been the policy of the Board of Engineers to consider the town as a whole. That is to give all sections of he town the same amount of protection. This would apply mostly in the case of apparatus. It might be possible to get apparatus which would be of greater value to some sections than the apparatus we now have in service, but taking the town altogether we feel that it is getting as good protection as is possible under present conditions. Town water would be the next big step toward better fire protection.

The Board of Engineers are now working on the matter of Fire Prevention. As this is, in a way, just as important a

subject as Apparatus for proper Fire Protection, and as nothing has been done on the subject before, we feel that the town should do something. We will bring the matter to your attention as soon as we believe it is properly worked out.

We wish to recommend that something be done regarding land for an engine house, which was brought up at the last Annual Town Meeting. We believe that the question of land should be settled before anything is done about a building. Anyone connected with the Fire Department certainly realizes that the present quarters are small and crowded for the amount of apparatus and equipment which we have at present. This is not however the important question regarding a building. The real question is, "how long will the present house stand up under the strain of the apparatus and equipment installed?" The engine house is on leased land and setting on posts, making it impossible to put any proper foundation under the building. Anyone can plainly see that under these conditions with the sills and floor timbers within a few inches of the ground and continually rotting out, that the matter of land for an engine house is important. If it was found that a new building was unadvisable or out of the question for some years to come, the present house might be remodeled and set on a proper foundation.

FIRES.

DATE	OWNER	STREET	DIST. NO.	CAUSE
Mar. 28.	Adelaide Sargent	Gail Ave.	31	Burning rubbish
Mar. 31.	B. & M. R. R.	Highland	31	Grass (Unknown)
Apr. 1.	Hamiltom Cemetery	Main	23	Grass
Apr. 1.	Frederick Winthrop	Highland	34	Woods (Unknown)
Apr. 2.	A. P. Gardner	Gardner	24	Grass (Burning brush)
Apr. 6.	A. P. Gardner	Main	24	Burning grass
Apr. 7.	Asbury Grove Asso.	Asbury	31	Unknown
Apr. 8.	Miles River Farm	Main	23	Burning grass
Apr. 9.	C. H. Davis	Willow	21	Grass (Locomotive)
Apr. 9.	Martha Patch	Main	24	Grass (Hot ashes)
Apr. 16.	F. J. Alley	Winthrop	32	Grass (Burning brush)

DATE	OWNER	STREET	DIST. NO.	CAUSE
Apr. 19.	L. Frazier	Asbury	31	Grass
Apr. 20.	Out of town	Ipswich	32	Grass
Apr. 23.	Albert Burrage	Main	21	Grass (Locomotive)
Apr. 24.	Woodman's	Off Essex	13	Unknown
Apr. 24.	Fox Point	Off Essex	13	Unknown
Apr. 25.	G. S. Mandell	Bridge	23	Grass (Unknown)
Apr. 26.	P. Walker	Main	23	Burning grass
Apr. 27.	F. H. Prince	Chebacco Road	15	Woods (Unknown)
May 6.	B. & M. R. R.	Farms Road	25	Grass (Locomotive)
May 6.	Fred Ayers	Bridge	12	Burning grass
May 8.	North School	Main	24	Matches
May 9.	B. & M. R. R. Tank 3.25 p. m.	Out of Town	21	
May 9.	B. & M. R. R. Tank 11.30 p. m.	Out of Town	21	
May 15.	B. & M. R. R.	Main	21	Grass (Locomotive)
May 16.	George Burroughs	Asbury	31	Grass (Unknown)
June 19.	Asbury Grove Asso.	Asbury	31	Dump
June 20.	R. C. Robbins	Miles River Road	16	Chimney
June 21.	False Alarm			
July 4.	Maxwell Norman	Main	23	Unknown
Aug. 25.	Isaac Wyman est.	Bridge	14	Match thrown in mattress
Sept. 1.	Out of Town	Idlewood, Wenham	31	
Sept. 15.	Richard Smith	Farmes Road	25	Oil stove
Oct. 6.	Out of Town	Wenham		
Dec. 2.	Mrs. Hazlett	Union	21	Chair near stove

Burning rubbish, grass and brush beyond control,	9
Grass unknown,	6
Grass by locomotive,	4
Hot ashes,	1
Stoves,	2
Matches,	2
Chimneys,	1
Buildings,	4
Out of town,	5
False Alarm,	1
	35

We wish to call attention to the fact that a number of fires the past year were caused by persons trying to burn over land without sufficient help or under bad weather conditions for such purposes. More caution should and will be taken the coming year in issuing permits. The public should realize that starting a fire without a permit is strictly against the law.

Thanking everyone who has assisted the Department in the past year, we beg to remain

Respectfully,

ERLE G. BREWER,
LESTER M. WHIPPLE,
GEORGE F. PENDEXTER,
RODNEY H. ADAMS,
FRANK DANE,

Board of Engineers.

Report of Committee on Public Safety

for Towns of

Hamilton and Wenham.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Elbridge R. Anderson
Chester A. Foster
James B. Pickett
dward J. Ready, *Secretary*
Jacob D. Barnes
Frank P. Trussell, *Treasurer*
Douglas H. Knowlton
Edward H. Osgood
William J. Daley
Carl I. Aylward
H. A. Thomas
Erle G. Brewer

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Elbridge R. Anderson, *Executive*
Frank P. Trussell, *Finance*
Jacob D. Barnes, *Food and Conservation*
T. A. Moynihan, *Emergency and Equipment*
Dr. J. G. Corcoran, *Medicine, Hygiene and Sanitation*
E. J. Ready, *State Guard*
E. R. Anderson, *Truck and Motor Cars*
W. J. Daley, *Publicity*
Geo. H. Gibney, *Municipal Affairs and Volunteer Aid*

Hamilton, February 14, 1919.

To the Hamilton Board of Selectmen:

Gents:—Please find the following list of bills paid by me as the treasurer of the Hamilton and Wenham Public Safety Committee, from the sum of six hundred dollars ($600.00) subscribed by the Town of Hamilton on August 31, 1918.

FOOD PRODUCTION.

E. L. Barker,	$170 00	
T. A. Moynihan,	64 88	
Ames Plow Co.,	106 96	
S. C. Gould,	23 00	
		$364 84

STATE GUARDS.

C. E. Whipple,	$ 40 00	
Capt. H. A. Thomas,	195 16	
		$235 16

Transportation.

Yours truly,

FRANK P. TRUSSELL,

Treasurer.

Hamilton Roll of Honor.

A

Adams, Randall E.
Anderson, Carl C.
Anderson, Samuel
Anderson, William A.

B

Berry, Ralph C.
Brown, Charles R.
Brumby, William Leo
Burke, John
Burns, John F.
Burrage, Albert C., Jr.
Burton, Percival W.

C

Caverly, John Harold
Caverly, Lawrence C.
Chittick, Robert H., Jr.
Codman, Julian
Collins, William J.
Cook, Horace S.
Cox, John Edward, Jr.
Cross, Stephen I.

D

Daley, Frederick M.
Daley, Harold A.
Daley, Victor W.
Daley, Walter F.
Davis, Charles H.
Davis, K. Stoughton
Day, Alvah I.
Day, Ernest F.
Day, Norman L.
Diggins, William M.
Divino, Patsy
Dodge, Lewis H.
Donaldson, George C.
Dukett, Alexander E.
Duran, Peter J.
Durkee, Lester S.
Duran, Hugh

E

Eckhoff, Olaus
Elder, William F.

F

Feener, Lester C.
Felton, Cornelius C.
Folsom, Hiram T.
Fraser, Peter E.
Fuller, Amos W. A.

G

Gallagher, Michael
*Gardner, Augustus P.
Gerry, Joseph
Gibney, Clarence W.

Gibney, James Norman
Goodhue, William
Gorman, Leo F.
Grant, Charles E.
Grant, Silas Warren
Green, Walter

H

Haraden, Edward H.
Haraden, Rudolph H.
Haraden, Samuel T.
Hickey, John M.
Hodgson, James C.
*Hodgson, Lester B.
Holm, Gustave F.
Hughes, James J.

J

Jones, William T.
Joyce, Patrick

K

Koloski, Peter

L

Landers, William M.
Low, Burton A.
Low, Gardner B.

M

MacDonald, Finley D.
MacGregor, Harry R.
Macri, Francesco
*Mandell, Samuel P.
Marcepoil, Paul
McGinn, Arthur
McGinley, Daniel P.
McGinley, John J.
McGlauflin, Cedric B.
McGlauflin, Charles A.
Merrill, James J.
Merry, Harold
Meyer, George von L., Jr.
Mullins, Robert

O

O'Leary, John M.

P

Parsons, Everett E.
Peatfield, Irving L.
Perkins, Frank Kenneth
Pitman, Hiram N.
Pitman, Ephraim A.
Poole, James E.
Porter, Harold E.
Price, George
Price, Herbert
Price, William
Proctor, James H.
Proctor, Thomas E., 2nd

R

Ramsdell, Frank H.
Rice, Neil W.
Richardson, Arthur F.
Robbins, Reginald C.

S

Small, George Ritchie
Smith, Joseph H. Jr.
Sortwell, Alvin F.
Sullivan, Michael J.

T

Taylor, William
*Taylor, William W. L.
Thompson, Leland D.
Thompson, John
Toner, Reginald
Tucker, Joseph
Tuckerman, Bayard, Jr.

V

Varnum, Clarence L.
Varnum, Roy E.
Vaughn, Gordon C.

W

Wallace, William J.
Whipple, Percival D.

Y

*Young, Reginald

NOTE.—*Indicates those who have made the supreme sacrifice.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in said Town, on Tuesday, the eleventh (11th) day of March, nineteen hundred and nineteen, at fifteen minutes before six o'clock in the forenoon (5.45 o'clock A. M.) then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your ballots for

Moderator, for one year.
Town Clerk, for one year.
Three Selectmen, for one year.
Overseers of the Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers, three for one year.
Treasurer, for one year.
Tax Collector, for one year.
Tree Warden, for one year.
Three Constables, for one year.
One Assessor, for three years.
One Assessor, for two years.
One Library Trustee, for three years.

One Cemetery Commissioner, for three years.
One Park Commissioner, for three years.
One Park Commissioner, for one year.
One member of the School Committee, for three years.

And to vote on the following:

Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the coming year? Yes or No.

All on one ballot.

The Polls will open at fifteen minutes before six o'clock (5.45 o'clock A. M.) and close at ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town shall determine.

Article 3. To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and other committees and take any action thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the repairs of Highways, Town Ways and Bridges and all Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate money from Excess and Deficiency Fund to meet overdrafts in the following accounts:

Town Hall,	$248.02
Police,	256.26

Fire,	134.84
Poor,	449.39
Interest,	800.41
Total,	$1,888.92

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $829.65 to pay certain bills contracted by the School Committee, to wit:

John R. Mann,	$726.38
Frank Burnham,	18.66
E. E. Babb & Co.	84.61
Total,	$829.65

as petitioned for by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $374.06 to pay for furnishing and equipment installed in, and labor done at the New East School, as petitioned for by the School Committee.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the Town will take in acquiring land, by purchase or taking by eminent domain, for the Fire Department and other Town purposes, and appropriate and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for said purpose, or take any action thereon.

ARTICLE 9. To see what action the Town will take towards draining the Town Hall cellar and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ARTICLE 10. To see what action the town will take towards repairing the Town Scales on Highland Street.

ARTICLE 11. To see what action the Town will take towards installing Four (4) additional street lights on Bridge Street, between School and Sagamore Streets, and appropriate a sum of money for the same, as petitioned for by Frederick H. Ayers and others.

ARTICLE 12. To see what action the Town will take towards installing seven electric Street lights on Highland Street, beginning at Gail Ave. running to Goodhue Street, as petitioned for by George M. Adams and others.

ARTICLE 13. To see what action the Town will take towards installing one Street light on Cottage Street at the corner of Mill Street, as petitioned for by James Clemens and others.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will appropriate $500.00 to be used in welcoming home soldiers and sailors who entered the service of our Country, as petitioned for by the Welcome Home Committee.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will appoint a committee for the purpose of getting information and data, looking to the erection of a suitable memorial to be erected in the Town, to the memory of the Soldiers and Sailors, who served in the Civil War, Spanish War and the great World War and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the committee, said committee to report to the Town at a special meeting to be called for that purpose.

Article 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Park Commissioners to purchase the Play Ground equipment, formerly used at the South Hamilton playgrounds and erect the same on the grounds at Central Park, and appropriate the sum of seventy-five dollars for said purpose, as petitioned for by Frank W. Buzzell and others.

Article 17. To see if the Town will instruct and authorize the selectmen to purchase or to take land in that part of the Town called South Hamilton, for the location of a School House, and appropriate a sum of money for the same, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Adelaide D. Walsh and others.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate $400.00 for an evening school at the South School Building, as petitioned for by Adelaide D. Walsh and others.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate $400.00 for repairs of the Center School, Main St., as petitioned for by Adelaide D. Walsh and others.

Article 20. To see if the Town will furnish barge transportation from Essex Junction to the South School, for children living in East Hamilton, attending the seventh and eighth grade of said school and appropriate a sum of money for the same or take any other action thereon, as petitioned for by Andrew F. Lauzon and others.

Article 21. To see if the Town will purchase a piano for the East School House and appropriate a sum of money for the same as petitioned for by George K. Knowlton and others.

Article 22. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money and cause to be printed a valuation statement, one copy of each to be sent to each property owner and voter, said paper to be issued not later than June 1st, 1919, as petitioned for by William E. Townsend and others.

Article 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money on and after January 1, 1920, from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1920, to an amount not exceeding forty thousand dollars ($40,000.00) in the aggregate, and to issue a note or notes thereof.

Article 24. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chap. 25, Sec. 75, of the Revised Laws.

Article 25. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Meeting House, one at the South Hamilton Post Office and

one at the Town Hall, in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of February A. D. 1919.

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,

ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS,

CHESTER A FOSTER,

Selectmen of Hamilton.

TOWN OF HAMILTON

REPORT

OF THE

Finance and Advisory Committee

ON THE

Appropriations and Articles

FOR THE

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 11, 1919

SALEM, MASS.:
BARRY PRINTING COMPANY
1919

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:—

Your Committee have examined the financial needs for the maintenance of the various departments of the Town, and to provide for the payment of principal and interest due on bonds and notes for the fiscal year; and have also investigated all requests calling for appropriations of money in the various Articles of the Town Warrant; and after careful consideration, we make the recommendations given below in this report.

ARTICLE 4.

Under Article 4, Salaries and Fees for each department, as well as expenses are included in the appropriation for said department. A complete list of Salaries and Fees recommended is given on the page following the list of these department appropriations. All Salary rates are the same as in 1918.

To raise and appropriate money for:

	Appropriated at four Town Meetings 1918	Called for by Selectmen 1919	Recommended by Finance Committee 1919
Street Lighting	$5000	$5000	$5000
Highway	11,000	12,000	11,000
Poor Department	4000	4500	4000
State Aid	500	500	500
	$20,500	$22,000	$20,500

	Appropriated at four Town Meetings 1918	Called for by Selectmen 1919	Recommended by Finance Committee 1919
Brought forward,	$20,500	$22,000	$20,500
Soldiers' Relief and Military Aid	600	600	600
Town Hall	1300	1600	1400
Fire Department	1000	1200	1200
Cemetery	400	500	500
Park Commission	25	25	25
Tree Warden	300	300	300
Selectmen	1000	1000	1000
Assessors	900	900	800
Treasurer	550	650	*550
Collector	700	700	*700
Accounting	900	900	900
Town Clerk	300	300	300
Police	1700	2000	1800
Snow Removal	2000	2000	1500
Finance Committee	25	25	25
Board of Health	500	500	500
Printing Town Reports	225	225	250
Brown-Tail and Gypsy Moth Work	4900	4700	4700
Memorial Day	50	50	50
School House Loans	980	1980	†1980
Interest on Bonds	150	885	885
Interest on Tax Loans	1200	1650	1650
	$40,205	$44,690	$42,115

*For the Bond.

†From Excess and Deficiency Fund.

	Appropriated at four Town Meetings 1918	Called for by Selectmen 1919	Recommended by Finance Committee 1919
Brought forward,	$44,205	$44,690	$42,115
Boiler Insurance	35	100	100
Schools	24,139	25,018	23,816
Sealer of Weights and Measures	150	150	125
Election and Registration	600	600	500
Moderator	10	10	10
Legal Expenses	100	100	100
Certifying Town Notes	00	10	10
Cattle Inspector	60	60	60
Town Clock	50	50	50
Public Library	1150	1200	1200
Forest Fire Warden	25	25	25
State War Fund	500	250	250
Reserve Fund	‡577	600	600
	$67,601	$72,863	$68,961

‡ Transferred during year 1918.

MEMORANDUM OF SALARIES AND FEES INCLUDED IN FOREGOING APPROPRIATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 4.

Selectmen, Chairman	$350	Overseers of Poor	
2nd member	250	Chairman	$ 50
3rd member	250	2nd member	25
Assessors, Chairman	350	3rd member	25
2nd member	150	Registrars, $50 each	200
3rd member	150	Election Officers and	
Treasurer	400	Tellers, $5 each	185
Collector	400	Moderator	10
Town Clerk, salary	200	Sealer	50
Allowance for			
expenses and fees	100	Forest Fire Warden	10
Town Accountant	800		
Board of Health, Chairman	50	Allowance for fees of	
2nd member	25	Cattle Inspector	60
3rd member	25		

ARTICLE 5.

	Called for by Selectmen	Recommended
Transfer from Excess and Deficiency Fund to meet overdrafts in certain accounts, 1918,		
Town Hall	$248 02	
Police	256 26	
Fire	134 84	
Poor	449 39	
Interest	800 41	
	$1888 92	$1888 92

ARTICLE 6.		
School Department accounts	$829 65	$829 65
ARTICLE 7.		
East School furnishings and equipment	374 06	374 06
ARTICLE 8.		
Land for Fire Department and Town purposes		No action taken
ARTICLE 9.		
Draining Town Hall cellar		No action taken
ARTICLE 10.		
Repairing Town Scales		No action taken
ARTICLE 11.		
Four Street Lights on Bridge Street	74 00	74 00
ARTICLE 12.		
Seven Street Lights on Highland Street	129 50	129 50
ARTICLE 13.		
One Street Light on Cottage Street	18 50	18 50
ARTICLE 14.		
Welcome for Soldiers and Sailors	500 00	500 00
ARTICLE 15.		
War Memorial		No action taken

ARTICLE 16. Purchase of Play Ground Equipment	75 00	Not recommended
ARTICLE 17. Purchase of Land for School Purposes		No action taken
ARTICLE 18. Appropriation for Evening School	400 00	Not recommended
ARTICLE 19. Repairs of the Center School	400 00	No action taken
ARTICLE 20. Transportation from Essex Junction to South School		No action taken
ARTICLE 21. Purchase of Piano for East School		No action taken
ARTICLE 22. Printing of Valuation Book		Recommended to be taken from Valuation Book Appropriation, $275
ARTICLE 23. Borrowing after January 1, 1920, in anticipation of taxes. We recommend authorizing the Treasurer to borrow as set forth in this article of the Warrant.		

Grand total of Appropriations recommended	
From surplus	$ 3,868 92
From taxes	68,906 71
From all sources	$72,775 63
(Corresponding totals in 1918, appropriated in four Town Meetings were as follows:	
From surplus	$11,121 68
From taxes	67,534 00
From all sources	$78,655 68)

Respectfully yours,

CHESTER H. KNOWLES, Chairman,
EDWARD J. READY, Secretary,
RAYMOND C. GOULD,
JOHN F. SMITH,
FRANK M. WHIPPLE,

Finance and Advisory Committee,
Town of Hamilton.

SCHOOL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON

FOR THE YEAR

1918

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School Committee's Report.

Annual Report of the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton for the year 1918.

ORGANIZATION.

Robert Robertson, Jr., Chairman,	Term expires 1921
Adelaide D. Walsh,	Term expires 1920
Florence M. Lull, Secretary,	Term expires 1919

Adelaide D. Walsh, Purchasing Agent

Harvey R. Williams, Superintendent

John G. Corcoran, M. D., School Physician

The School Committee make this their annual report to the Town of Hamilton for the year just closed, with the knowledge that much has been accomplished during the year for the betterment of the schools.

It is the second year that we have been so fortunate as to have Mr. Harvey R. Williams as Superintendent and Mr. Herbert H. Archibald as Principal of our schools, and under their able and enthusiastic administration the pupils are gaining in inspiration, morale and scholarship.

Soon after Mr. Archibald began his duties in our school he took over the vocal training of the pupils in the High school, forming a High School Chorus and a Girls' Glee Club. Under his able leadership the pupils of the High school have made rapid progress in music.

The Junior High school, composed of the 7th 8th and 9th grades, is now well established, with special teachers in several branches. During the year Domestic Science and Manual Training classes were opened, to the delight of the boys and girls who are now doing good work in both classes.

The Committee refer to the reports of Superintendent, Principal and School Physician, for details of the work done, changes and additions to the teaching staff, needs of the school, etc., during the year 1918.

Because of the small number of pupils in the North District the North school was closed and the children sent to the Center school giving that school about twenty-three pupils.

The Center school building should be thoroughly renovated inside and new steps built across the front, and for this work the Committee recommend an appropriation of $400, which would make that building bright, clean and sanitary, and sufficient for the needs of that part of the town.

The East District is provided with a new, modern, two-room school, containing also an assembly hall, and this building will be adequate for that section of Hamilton for many years. This building was turned over to the Committee unfurnished, and the cost of desks and other necessary furniture and furnishings purchased by the Committee amount to $374.06. An appropriation of $374.06 to pay for this furniture is recommended by the Committee.

The Center and East schools take children through the first six grades, after which they enter the Junior High

school. Ever since the closing of the West school the children have been provided with transportation to the South school, and during 1918 children from the North and East districts were transported. Since the completion of the new East school a question has been raised as to whether or not transportation should be furnished members of the Junior High school coming to the South school from that district.

Inasmuch as most of these children live long distances from any means of transportation whatever, and must come to the South school, the Committee feel that they should not be discriminated against, and, for the welfare of these pupils, recommend that adequate transportation be furnished.

The South school is now overcrowded. The High and Elementary schools should be separated, and attention is called to the recommendations contained in our Superintendent's report as to this matter. At present this overcrowding is a serious problem to your Committee, Superintendent and teachers, and the work of the school is hampered.

A good percentage of the persons who registered for Evening school attended, and were benefited by the privilege afforded them of instruction in English, mathematics, bookkeeping, stenography and typewriting. The school was open three evenings each week for twelve weeks, employing three teachers most of the time.

The Committee recommend that an appropriation of $400 for evening school this year be made, which would provide for two evenings per week during the fall and winter months.

Last summer your Committee was confronted with a large and unforseen expense in the re-tubing of the steam boiler in the South school. This work cost $1119.93, as a result of which the Committee had on January 1st, 1919, sundry unpaid bills amounting to $829.65.

The Committee recommend an appropriation to cover the unpaid bills of 1918, and the cost of maintaining the schools for 1919, of $24,672.27. Of this amount $2000 will cover the cost of transportation from the North, East and West districts, for the school year of forty weeks.

Robert Robertson, Jr.,
Adelaide D. Walsh,
Florence M. Lull.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee of Hamilton.
Ladies and Gentleman:

I have the honor to submit herewith my second annual report of the Hamilton schools for consideration by your Committee and the citizens of the Town.

Teachers
Resignations During the Year

Henry L. Stone	Music supervisor
Miss Eleanor Pingree	North School
Miriam Harding (Mrs.)	East School
Miss Rachel Morse	High School
Miss Dorothy Taylor	High School
Miss Sadie Otis (Subs.)	South School
Miss Gertrude Cotton	Household Arts

Appointments and Transfers

Miss Ruth Carson, Salem	North School
Miss Carson was later transferred to the East School.	
Miss Doris Paine, Eastport, Me.	High School, English
Miss Eleanor Robinson, Hamilton	High School, History and Math.
Miss L. Gertrude Perkins	Transferred from Annex to Grade V in main building
Miss Helen Weston	From assistant in grades I, II, and III to regular teacher of grades II and III
Miss Helen J. Mullane, Dorchester	Assistant in grades VII, VIII and IX

Miss Clara Waldie, Beverly	Manual Training and Drawing
Miss Catherine Shurtleff, Fairhaven	Household Arts and Elementary Science
Mr. Geo. H. Woods, Roxbury	Music Supervisor

Miss Waldie and Miss Shurtleff serve three-fifths time in Hamilton and two-fifths in Wenham. This arrangement gives the schools the advantage of having teachers specially trained for their work and on the job in either one town or the other all of the time.

On the whole we now have in the Hamilton schools a corps of teachers second to none in any town of its size, or even in many of the towns much larger, and every reasonable effort should be made to retain in the schools all those teachers who are so heartily cooperating with the administration in the effort to make the Hamilton schools of the greatest possible value to all the children of all the people.

Practical Arts

The last report said, "We hope to be able in the near future to give to the boys of these grades (seven and ight) the advantages of manual training." This hope is now an accomplished fact, and all the boys of the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades are receiving this instruction. The seventh and eighth grade girls are receiving instruction in sewing, and those of the eighth and ninth grades have cooking. This work is all valuable for its own sake. But more than this, it has a most helpful effect on all the other school work of those boys and girls, in that the use of the hand stimulates brain activity. So, while we are teaching these boys and girls to do things, we are also helping them to do better the work of their regular classes.

New East School Building

In the last report attention was called to the need of better accommodations for the East school. It was stated that the need was a new modern primary two-room building. This need has been admirably met by the town, and the children of this district are now housed in one of the best, two-room buildings to be found in Essex County, if not in the entire state. This building is certainly a credit to the town and should be the source of great pride to the people, parents, and children of that community.

Needs of the South District

Some conditions exist in the South school which ought to be remedied without delay. I take it that the portable annex to the main building was resorted to as a means of tiding over an emergency situation until something better could be done. I do not know how long the place has been used, but I am convinced, after careful observation and study, that it has already been used too long, and that some move should be made to provide better accommodations for the children of the first three grades, who, on account of the number of children in the main building, must be seated in this annex.

In the first place, the rooms are not large enough for a reasonable number of children and the necessary furniture. There is no possibility of having any kind of games or plays for these little children, a very important factor in primary work. In the upper grades, with our present system of departmental work, most of the children change class-rooms about every hour, but those little people must sit out the entire session with no possible opportunity for adequate physical relaxation and rest.

In the second place, the toilets used by these children, being located in the basement of the main building, make

it necessary for them to use stairs which were never intended to be used by any children and which are positively dangerous for little children to go down and up on account of the construction.

Another and a very important fact in connection with this question is that it is next to impossible to have the place properly ventilated, and this condition has a disastrous effect on the health of the children. Again, the steam pipes are directly over the children's heads, another bad feature. I might mention some of the additional disadvantages under which teachers find it difficult to do good work, but these are of less importance than the welfare of sixty or more little children.

If these are not sufficient reasons for action towards providing better accommodations in this district, let us take a look at the conditions in the main building. To be sure, there is room for all the pupils now attending in this building, but we no longer proceed with the idea that as long as pupils can find seats in a building, they can be properly cared for in their work. Nor do we believe that one teacher can teach everything called for in a particular grade as well as two or more teachers can teach the several subjects for which they have a special liking and for which they are specially prepared. Under this plan which is in effect in the seventh and eighth grades and somewhat in the ninth, there is need for more recitation rooms. Classes are now reciting in the basement rooms more or less in the mornings and are using the high school rooms as soon as that school is out.

By using for recitations the room intended for a teachers' room, the high school gets along very well. But this leaves no room in the entire building for the teachers, nor any place where a pupil or teacher taken suddenly ill can be cared for properly. Three rooms are now in almost

constant use in the basement; one for a science laboratory, one for manual training, and one for sewing and cooking.

One other important point should be considered in this connection. It is conceded to be a well established fact that it is not desirable to have primary children in the same building with children from the seventh grade through the high school. The primary school must of necessity be conducted on a plan entirely different from that which may be and which should be employed in the management of upper grade and high school pupils. Two sessions in part of the building and one in the high school, is a source of more or less confusion. While it is not advisable to have little children attend on the one-session plan, there seems to be less objection to that plan for seventh and eighth grade pupils. I believe, however, that it would be much better for all schools to be run on the two-session plan. But this is not the question to be solved. The problem is, what should be done to protect the health of the little children and increase the efficiency of the schools as a whole? After a very careful survey of the condition and study of the situation, I believe that a primary school building for the first six grades should be erected to meet the needs of the South district. My first impression was that it should be a high school building: but, taking into consideration the fact that there are in the present building , (1) a very good chemical laboratory, (2) a good manual training room, (3) an excellent room for the household arts department, (4) a good commercial room, and (5) that the main building with small changes would be well adapted to the needs of the Junior High School on the first floor and the Senior High on the second floor, for many years to come, I am of the opinion that it would be less expense to the town and better for the schools to provide for the primary children (the first six grades) in a separate building than, it would to provide

a new high school building, that would have to be equipped for several of the purposes already provided for in the present building.

Another argument for this plan is the desirability of having some departmental teachers carry on work in both departments of the high school, that is, the Junior and Senior High. It is a great advantage to have several of the subjects taught in part, at least, in both schools by the same teacher. If the Senior High were somewhat removed in a building by itself, there would be loss of time for the teachers in going back and forth from one school to the other, or else the continuous departmental plan would have to be discontinued. That would mean one or more additional teachers.

As I see it, with a new primary school building erected to provide for the present first six grades, and having at least two rooms for future growth, the town will have provded for its school population for many years to come, in a manner that would not only reflect great credit upon the town, but would insure comfortable and healthful conditions for the children and consequently more effective work on the part of both children and teachers. I am not especially concerned whether the above plans are used or some other move is made to relieve these conditions, but I am concerned about the welfare of the little children who have to spend three years of their school life under such conditions as obtain in the annex to this South school building.

The District Schools

The decision of the committee to close the North School and send these children to the Center, has proven to be a wise move. This gives Miss Anderson about twenty pupils in the first six grades and makes a very interesting and much more profitable school than either

could possibly have been with the small number of children attending each school run by itself. This move released Miss Carson, who was transferred to the East district where it was necessary to have an additional teacher again to carry on the work successfully. The work of both these schools is now of good grade and compares very favorably with that of the South district, where the teachers have many less grades to a room, but where it is impossible to do the individual work with the children that is possible in the schools having more grades but less children in a class.

Physical Training

The examinations given this year by the school physician or even a casual survey of the pupils in any school ought to convince any one of the great need of some kind of physical training for the large majority of school children. This cannot be any hit-or-miss dab at one thing, then another. If it is to bring about the desired results it must be a continual systematic training by a teacher who has a definite idea of the purpose to be accomplished and who has time enough for the work to be able to accomplish definite results. A departure of this kind would be well worth the expense. Health is the first consideration and good physical training means better health for all.

Evening School

The Evening school opened October 22, 1918 with Miss Horan and Miss Mullane as teachers. There were 52 people registered and 48 attended sessions at different times. It was evident at once that two teachers could not handle all the work desired by those who registered. The Committee being very desirous of giving all the work possible, added one more regular teacher, Miss Haskins,

and Miss Robinson and Miss Pierce came in for one period each, every night until the classes were too small to be of interest. The school continued 12 weeks.

Thrift Stamps and School Bank

On account of the desire of so many pupils to invest in Thrift and Savings Stamps, the School Bank has not yet been started this year. We shall open the bank again in February. The statistics on Thrift and Savings Stamps found in the appendix will show that the children in Hamilton have responded heartily to the appeal of the Government to save and invest in stamps. The Stamp Savings plan is to be continued and it is very desirable that the children should continue to save and invest in this way as well to save and deposit in the School Bank.

The Epidemic and Lost Time

It has been a long time since I have seen schools open up and proceed with their work with such promise of a successful year as we experienced in the first weeks of the present school year. But in October came the influenza epidemic, closing the schools for over three weeks, and just as we got fairly started a second time, the Armistice was signed bringing to an end the world war and the slaughter of human beings unparalleled in the world's history. This great event brought a wonderful outburst of joy that knew no bounds and we celebrated for two days. It was an event that meant a great deal to the children and one they will always remember as a great day in their lives.

However, all these things combined have had a very disturbing effect upon the work of the schools far and wide. But we are now settling down to good hard work, and, with the persistence and good spirit shown by both teachers and children, I see no reason why we should not

complete a fair year's work by the end of June. The high school is running six hours a day and by the first of March the grades might well have an extra half-hour in the afternoon. In this way some of the time and work lost might be made up. If, however, we make up considerable time this way, I would recommend that the vacations between now and June be the same as last year.

Medical Inspection

By a wise move on the part of your Committee medical inspection has been a fact rather than mere theory. All the children have been examined by the school physician and a card record made for every pupil. The school physician's report follows and is offered as a part of this report.

High School

Had the schools not been broken up by the epidemic, I feel sure that the work of the high school, would have been at a much higher standard by this time than at any time last year. Mr. Archibald and his assistants are certainly doing all in their power to bring about a higher scholastic standing for the school and with the same attitude on the part of the pupils and parents this higher standing is sure to come. Let everybody help.

Mr. Archibald's report follows and will be of special interest to all who wish to see in the Town of Hamilton a high school second to none in any town of its size.

In General

Considering that we have been passing through a very critical period in the world's history, one that has affected practically every home in the land, I think the people of Hamilton ought to be congratulated upon the

splendid manner in which they have responded to the needs of the schools, during the past year. They have made it possible for the School Committee to retain an efficient teaching corps in the schools, to add some important activities to the school work, and have provided the East district with one of the finest school buildings to be found in New England. One would certainly be unappreciative and ungrateful to pass unnoticed such generous and progressive spirit on the part of the citizens of the Town. I am pleased to record, also, that the teachers and children have shown their appreciation and responded splendidly to this spirit in all the work of the schools.

I appreciate most sincerely these pleasant and encouraging conditions and I am also grateful to your Committee for their helpful support and advice in the administration of the duties of my position.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY R. WILLIAMS,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 25, 1919.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I am pleased to submit for your consideration this, my second annual report of the Hamilton High School. With but two changes in our Senior High faculty and one in the Junior High school, the staff, with an additional instructor in the Practical Arts department, took up the work of last year and with a spirit of determination got a splendid start in September toward the year's work.

At the outset it was realized that the most important task before our school was that of raising the standard of scholarship, and by this we mean that it is our desire to have the accomplishments in every study this year on a par with those of the best schools in the state; to have accomplished, in other words, at the end of June as much work in the various courses as will have been completed by schools recognized for high standing. This thought firmly rooted in the minds of students and teachers alike, our first month of school work went along very smoothly and successfully only to be abruptly broken into by an enforced shut-down of four complete weeks.

Resuming our work at the conclusion of this unfortunate loss of time, we attempted to start in where we left off on September 25, but our hopes and ambitions for hard efficient work were shattered by the extremely poor health conditions of both students and teachers. Following a week's demoralization through the not-at-all regretted peace celebration, we experienced two weeks before Thanksgiving with any where from sixteen to twenty-five

students out of sixty-one absent. This of course made work of little value inasmuch as a portion of the students were far ahead of others less fortunate in dodging the epidemic.

These unsettled conditions lasted until after the Christmas vacation, terminating with the opening of school on December 30. From that time we have had a very fair chance to get under way and into a regular routine of work and both students and teachers are, for all the hardships endured during the fall months, endeavoring to do all within their power to make up the lost time. A recommendation by the school board to lengthen our day from five to six hours was very heartily accepted by the teaching force and the pupils, and all have taken the extra allotment of work without complaining— a fine spirit, showing that the entire school realizes that good scholastic standing cannot be had on a three-quarter completion of the regular year's work. The students especially take pride in this fact, for there are very few schools, if any, that are attempting to make up lost time in this way.

In concluding, then, may I say that with the undivided support of the parents to create in the homes an atmosphere conducive to work and study we will, in all probability, accomplish that which we have begun, a steady upward movement of our standard of scholarship.

Along with our effort to do this we are not neglecting the all-important work in school activities. We have our Hamilton High School Girls' Glee Club in its second year of organization doing even better work than it did last year, and regularly one afternoon a week the girls are coming in contact with the better things of music; learning a fine repertoire of two and three part selections for female voices, and are now putting additional effort into preparations for a concert coming in the near future.

Our Anti-flue Club is the result of the realization of the true value of good wholesome out-of-door exercise and regularly Thursday afternoon finds the majority of our student body participating in some healthful form of recreation. This, we believe, is in part, taking place of the much needed and much looked-for course in physical education. Is it to be wondered that there are a few dull students now and then when nothing is given them by way of organized classes in calisthenics or gymnasium work, This I believe is the most timely need of our curriculum as it exists, for a healthy body is of prime importance and essential to good mental work and development.

No better proof of our endeavors to give the boys and girls the right kind of social times can be had than the words of the students themselves. The various classes of the school have, in their turn, given parties in our assembly hall, and through them a closer and more intimate relationship has come to exist between teachers and students and among the students themselves. We believe heartily in the furthering of such functions and appreciate the support of all those who have helped in making them successful.

In concluding my report, I wish to state that I feel the general growth of the school is continuously at hand. May I thank all those who have contributed toward the up-building of our school and who have endeavored to make my work the pleasure it has been.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. ARCHIBALD,

Prin. High School.

January 29, 1919.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Hamilton Schools:

In addition to the regular work, we have this year for the first time conducted a regular examination of each scholar in the grades.

This examination has been carried on with the assistance of the district nurse and a complete record of each child kept.

Owing to the epidemic of influenza which necessitated the absence of many children, the examinations were not finished as promptly as they will be in the future.

The result of the examinations shows a marked need of a dental clinic or some arrangement whereby the teeth of children may be cared for. It also showed a marked need of some form of gymnastic exercises in order to correct the tendency to faulty positions.

In addition to my regular report I would like to say a few words regarding the ventilation in the annex at the South school where the first three grades have their sessions. There evidently is something wrong with the ventilating system as it is simply impossible to ventilate these two rooms properly. The teachers and janitor have tried to overcome the difficulty but with no results. The air in these rooms is not only bad but actually foul, so much so that the little children speak of it themselves. It doesn't seem quite right to start children in our schools under such conditions. I hope in the very near future to see a new school building where such conditions cannot exist.

I hereby submit the result of the examinations which I think speaks for itself:—

Number of children examined	245	
Poor teeth		85
Faulty position		49
Moderately enlarged tonsils		28
Enlarged tonsils and adenoids		9
Eye trouble		9
	Total	180

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. CORCORAN,

January 11, 1919. School Physician.

CALENDAR 1919-1920

1919

February 21, Schools close, 8 weeks in term.
February 21 to March 3, Vacation 9 days.
March 3, Schools open for middle term.
April 25, Schools close, 8 weeks in term.
April 25 to May 5, Vacation 9 days.
May 29, Memorial Exercises in schools.
May 30, Memorial Day. Holiday.
June 25, High School graduation.
June 27, All schools close. 8 weeks in term.

Summer Vacation

September 3, Schools open for fall term.
*October 13, Columbus Day.
November 26 at noon, to December 1, Thanksgiving Recess.
December 24 at noon, Schools close for Christmas vacation.

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January 5, Schools open for winter term.
February 20, Washington's Birthday observed in the schools.
*February 23, Holiday.
February 27 to March 8, vacation, nine days.
March 8, Schools open for the third term.
*Holidays falling on Sunday must be observed on Monday.

Thrift and Savings Stamps

Total for all schools $2,207 70

Reports by Rooms

Schools	Reg.	Pupils holding	Amount
High School	61	40	$263 45
Jr. High Grade VIII	32	28	278 75
Jr. High Grade VII	37	37	251 00
Grades V, VI	35	35	444 00
Grades IV, V	35	26	285 50
Grades II, III	31	23	354 00
Grades I, II	34	18	112 00
Center School	21	13	118 50
East School	31	23	100 50
	317	243	$2,207 70

Percent of pupils holding stamps	76.6
Per capita for entire registration	$6.96
Per capita for those holding	$9.08
Highest room per capita, Miss Bennett	$12.69

Age of Admission

No child will be admitted to the first grade at the opening of schools in September who was not five years of age by the first day of September.

Pupils are admitted to this grade only during the first two weeks of school in September unless they have attended school in some other town.

Vaccination

Attention is called to the requirements of the law in relation to vaccination of school children. Chapter 44, Section 6, says "A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate granted for cause stated therein, signed by a regular practicing physician, that he is not a fit subject for vaccination."

The suggestion is made that this matter receive attention during the summer vacation so that children may be ready to enter when school opens.

Registration of Pupils by Grades and Schools as of December 31, 1918

	GRADES													
	ELEMENTARY						JUNIOR HIGH			SENIOR HIGH			POST	TOTALS BY
Schools	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	GRAD.	SCHOOLS
South	28	27	11	28	17	24	37	32	23	15	11	9	3	265
Center	5	3	3	4	4	2								21
East	6	8	1	6	10									31
Totals	39	38	15	38	31	26	37	32	23	15	11	9	3	317

SCHOOL CENSUS (NOT REVISED TO DATE)

Number between 5 and 7 years of age,		
Boys	18	
Girls	24	
Total	—	42
Number between 7 and 14 years of age,		
Boys	100	
Girls	124	
Total	—	224
Number between 14 and 16 years of age,		
Boys	31	
Girls	26	
Total	—	57
Total census		323

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS, YEAR ENDING IN JUNE, 1918

High School	8-17	57	27	30	52.8	49.9	8,828	0	0	13	18	26
Junior High 8	8-16	25	11	14	23	22.1	3,926	0	0	21	4	0
Junior High 7	8-17	42	19	23	39.5	37.3	6,572	0	0	40	2	0
Grade 6	8-17	37	19	18	37.7	35.5	6,270	0	0	36	1	0
Grades 4-5	8-17	43	23	20	43.3	40.2	7,091	0	0	43	0	0
Grade 3	8-15	35	18	17	31.6	29.4	5,189	0	9	26	0	0
Grades 1-2	8-15	45	17	28	41.6	38	6,684	11	30	12	0	0
Center School	8-18	18	6	12	16	14.2	2,539	1	6	11	3	0
North School	8-18	12	4	8	12.5	11.3	2,003	0	1	11	0	0
East School	8-16	35	18	17	29.9	27.4	4,844	0	13	22	0	0
Totals		349	162	187	327.9	305.3	53,946	12	50	235	25	26

DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS—JANUARY, 1919

NAMES	SCHOOLS	SUBJECTS OR GRADES	SALARY	APPOINTED	EDUCATION
Herbert H. Archibald	High School	Science and Mathematics and Principal of Building	$1600	1917	Mass Agricultural College
Catherine Call	High School	Languages	800	1916	Boston University
Doris M. Paine	High School	English	800	1918	Bridgewater Normal
Eleanor Robinson	High School	Mathematics and History	800	1918	Boston University
M. Gertrude Horan	High School	Commercial Subjects	900	1916	Salem Normal
Anna G. Haskins	High School	Commercial Subjects Clerk to Superintendent	800	1917	Salem Normal
Helen J. Mullane	Junior High	Mathematics	700	1918	Salem Normal
Helen M. Pierce	Junior High	History	700	1918	North Adams Normal
Edna F. Hurlburt (Mrs.)	Junior High	English Literature	750	1916	Edward Little High, Me.
Hazel E. Ramer (Mrs.)	Junior High	Geography and Penmanship	750	1913	Salem Normal
Catherine Shurtleff	Junior High	Household Arts	750	1918	Framingham Normal
Clara M. Waldie	Junior High	Practical Arts	750	1918	Mass. Normal Arts
Ellen E. Bennett	South	Grades V-VI	750	1913	Fitchburg Normal
L. Gertrude Perkins	South	Grades IV-V	650	1917	Gloucester Training
Helen Weston	South	Grades III-II	600	1917	Salem Normal
Nelly G. Cutting	South	Grades I-II	750	1915	Salem Normal
Edith Anderson	Centre	Grades I-VI	650	1915	Salem Normal
Marion A. Smith	East	Grades I-III	550	1917	Hamilton High
Ruth M. Carson	East	Grades IV-VI	600	1918	Salem Normal
George H. Woods	All schools	Music, one day a week	390	1918	

Eighth Annual Commencement

Graduation Exercises of the Class of 1918 Hamilton High School

Town Hall, Wednesday Evening, June 26, 1918
At Quarter Past Eight

Class Roll

Myrtle Dorothy Conrad
Daniel Franklin Crowley
Wilbur Stanislaus Daley
*Sarah Alice Emily Day
William Frazer Dixon
John Albert Duran
*Melissa Elder
*Thornton Porter Frederick
Theodore Albert Holland
*Gladys Dorothy Mann

*Honor Student

Program by High School Students

Assisted by

Rev. Edward Perry Daniels, Wilton, N. H., Speaker
Miss Alma LaPalm, Boston, Mass., 'Cello
Miss Dorothy Taylor, Accompanist
Mr. Herbert H. Archibald, Director

Graduation Program

Star Spangled Banner.....High School Chorus
Invocation.....Rev. Frank L. Luce
"Carmena".....High School Chorus
Salutatory.....Gladys Mann
"The Mission of the Red Cross"
"Calm is the Night".....Miss Alma LaPalm
With Hamilton High Girls' Glee Club
Class History.....Thornton P. Frederick

Presentation of Senior Gavel to Juniors
'Cello Solo—(Selected) ..... Miss Alma LaPalm
Class Prophecy ..... Melissa Elder
(a) "Under the Purple Moon" .....}
(b) "Doan Ye Cry, Ma Honey" .....}
Girls' Glee Club
Valedictory ..... Alice Day
"America and the War"
Class Ode ..... Class of 1918
Words by Miss Taylor, Music by Mr. Archibald
Address to the Class of 1918 ... Rev. Edward Perry Daniels
Presentation of Senior Class to School Board
By Supt. H. R. Williams
Awarding Diplomas
Chair. Robert Robertson, Hamilton School Board
"Land of Hope and Glory" ..... High School Chorus
"America" ..... To be sung by all
Benediction ..... Rev. Frank L. Luce

Class Ode

Nineteen eighteen, we give to thee
Our hearts in love and loyalty,
We pledge our strength and youth to make
Our lives for service for thy sake.
Nineteen eighteen
Honor be to thee.

Go now we forth with courage high,
Into the unknown ways that lie
Before us dimly stretching out—
Deliver thou our hearts from doubt.
Nineteen eighteen
Help thou us to see.

Words by Miss Dorothy Taylor.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—FINANCIAL ACCOUNT
Year Ending December 31, 1918

Resources		
Appropriation by Town		$24,139 00
Dog Tax		320 22
Total		$24,459 22
Expenditures		
General Expenses:		
School Committee:		
Salaries and other expenses	$139 15	
Superintendence and enforcement of Law		
Superintendent's salary	755 00	
Other expenses	118 74	
Total General Expenses		$1,012 89
Expenses of Instruction		
Supervisors:		
Salaries	$751 25	
Other expenses	36 01	
Teachers:		
Salary of Principal	1,510 00	
High Assistants	3,880 00	
Elementary Teachers	7,344 00	
Text books, High	195 70	
Text books, Elementary	246 05	
Supplies, High	1,142 51	
Supplies, Elementary	826 96	
Total Expense of Instruction		$15,832 48
Expenses of Operation		
Janitor's wages		
High	$486 90	
Elementary	721 90	

Fuel		
High	877 12	
Elementary	955 55	
Miscellaneous	312 30	
Repairs (regular)	669 64	
Repairs, Special on Boilers	1,119 93	
Total Operating Expenses		$5,143 34
Auxiliary Agencies		
Health	$391 50	
Transportation	1,404 06	
Total		$1,795 56
Miscellaneous Expenses		
Sundries		179 55
Outlay		
New Equipment		475 77
		$24,439 59

Note: Deducting the expenses for special repairs on boilers ordered by the boiler inspector and adding about $830 for unpaid bills, and we would have had unexpended on the year's school account about $300.

Evening School Account

Appropriation		$800 00
Expenditures to January 1, 1919		
Supervision	$25 00	
Teaching	201 00	
Books	45 13	
Supplies	21 90	
Janitor service	72 00	365 03
Balance January 1, 1919		$434 97
Pay Roll for January		$70 50